(b) the quantity of available wheat procured by Government;

(c) the scheme for the supply of the rest of the wheat;

(d) whether it is a fact that any scheme of purchasing wheat for public distribution through open market at market price, is under consideration, alongwith the details thereof; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that by increasing the sale price of wheat, less quantity of wheat would be provided to BPL families which would be quite inadequate for them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Under Targeted Public Distribution (TPDS), Government makes allocations of foodgrains for 6.52 crore BPL households @ 35 kg. per family per month. This number of BPL families (including Antyodaya Anna Yojana Families) is based on 1993-94 poverty estimates of Planning Commission and March, 2000 estimates of population made by the Registrar General of India. Since the foodgrains allocated under TPDS consist of rice, wheat and coarsegrains, the estimated annual requirement of wheat at current levels of allocation for BPL households (including AAY families) is about 85 lakh tons. State-wise details are enclosed as Statement *(See* below).

The Government also makes allocations of foodgrains under the TPDS for APL households depending upon their quantity available in the Central Pool. At the existing level of allocations for the APL category, the requirement is of about 45 lakh tons. In addition, about 10 lakh tons of wheat are also required for different welfare schemes. If the requirement for natural calamity relief etc. is taken into account, the total estimated annual requirement of wheat is about 150 lakh tons.

(b) A quantity of 111.28 lakh tons of wheat was procured in RMS 2007-08.

(c) The requirement of wheat under TPDS, welfare scheme and calamity relief etc. is being met with the help of domestic procurement of 111 lakh tons of wheat and import of wheat.

(d) and (e) No, Sir.

Statement Annual requirement of

Wheat for BPL (Including Aay)

(In Thousand Tons)

Sl.N .	State/UT	Quantity 2
c 1 1.	3 Arunachal Pradesh	3.072
2.	Bihar	855.744
3.	Chhattisgarh	3132
4.	Delhi	120.576
5.	Gujarat	441
6.	Haryana	261.912
7.	Himachal Pradesh	83.04
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	71.316

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9.	Jharkhand	**302.52**
10.	Karnataka	**227.928**
11.	Kerala	**83.556**
12.	Madhya Pradesh	**1292268**
13.	Maharashtra	**1410.048**
14.	Manipur	**1.272**
15.	Nagaland	**10.116**
16.	Punjab	**117.792**
17.	Rajasthan	**805.74**
18.	Uttaranchal	**67.5**
19.	Uttar Pradesh	**1476216**
20.	West Bengal	**869.688**
21.	A & N Islands	**0.984**
22.	Chandigarh	**0.408**
23.	D& N Haveli	**0348**
24.	Daman & Diu	**0.144**
	TOTAL:	**8534.508**

NOTE: For the State/UTs of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Goa, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Orissa, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Lakshadweep & Pondicherry, as per the requests received from these States/UTs, the allocation of rice has been made in place of wheat.

Allocation of wheat to Madhya Pradesh

t 832. SHRI MATISUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation of wheat during the year 2007, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that less allocation of wheat had been made to Madhya Pradesh in comparison to the other States; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) The details of State-wise allocation of Wheat, including adhoc/additional allocations and festival allocations, during the year 2007-08 are given in the enclosed Statement. *(See* below)

(b) and (c) the Central Government makes allocation of foodgrains to States/ UTs under

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Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) for ail Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families, on the basis of ration cards issued by the States/UTs or the number of households on the basis of poverty estimates of Planning Commission for 1993-94 and population projection of Registrar General of India as on 01.03.2000, whichever is less, @ 35kgs. per family per month. The allocations for APL category are made depending upon the availability of stock of foodgrains in Central Pool. The allocations of wheat, for APL * * category under TPDS, were rationalized *w.e.f.* June, 2006 in view of declining stock of wheat in Central Pool, based on each State's offtake during proceeding three years (2003-04,2004-05 and 2005-06). This decision was made applicable uniformly to all States/UTs, including Madhya Pradesh.

Statement

Allocation of wheat for 2007-08

(In thousand tons)

Sl. No, 1	Name of the State/UT 2	Total Regular Allocation 3	Total adhoc/ additional allocation 4	Total Festival allocation 5	TOTAL
1.	Andhra Pradesh	33.048	30.954	1377	65.379
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	9.432	1.730	0265	11.427
3.	Assam	224.364	30.698	9.349	264.411
4.	Bihar	868.152	13.034	0.517	881.703
5.	Chhattisgarh	46.840	3.104	1.552	51.4%
6.	Delhi	414.120	82.462	13.231	509.813
7.	Goa	2.412	4.702	3.000	10.114
8.	Gujarat	484.024	46.002	3201	533.227
9.	Haryana	350.964	27.522	3.711	382.197
10	Himachal Pradesh	164.016	55.948	6.374	226.338
11	Jammu & Kashmir	205.632	56.194	10.597	272.423
12	Jharkhand	324.291	17.376	1.688	343.355
13	Karnataka	279.800	29.868	1.934	311.602
14	Kerala	224.880	71.788	11.889	308.547
15	Madhya Pradesh	1320.148	40.740	2.370	1363258
16	Maharashtra	1404.396	74.154	5.577	1484.127
17	Manipur	7272	3200	0.550	11.022
18	Meghalaya	5.160	4.630	0.515	10.305
19	Mizoram	7.488	1.824	0.312	9.624
20	Nagaland	32.592	3.074	0.937	36.603
21	Orissa	93.516	39.794	3.897	137.207